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OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

Riverside, CA -- On Thursday, December 22, 2011, at approximately 8:17 PM, Patrol Officers from the Riverside Police Department were attempting to conduct a vehicle stop at 12th Street and Chicago in the City of Riverside. The marked police unit had two officers in the vehicle

As the officers attempted to stop the vehicle, the vehicle sped away at a high rate of speed. The officers, with their vehicle's emergency lights and siren activated, pursued the vehicle through a shopping center parking lot. The vehicle drove to the rear of the business complex and came to a stop just as it drove onto 10th Street east of Ottawa.

The passenger, an adult male, immediately exited the vehicle and ran away westbound towards Ottawa Street. One of the officers gave chase and the other officer stayed with the female driver. When the pursuing officer got to the middle of the block, an officer involved shooting occurred resulting in the male suspect sustaining several gunshot wounds. Medical aid was summoned and the suspect was treated by personnel from the Riverside Fire Department and American Medical Response (AMR). AMR transported the suspect to a local hospital where he is currently being treated for his injuries. He is currently in stable condition.

Detectives from the Centralized Investigations Bureau's Robbery/Homicide Unit and Forensic Evidence Unit responded to the scene and conducted the investigation. A weapon was recovered at the scene of the shooting.

Michael Charles Easley (22), of Los Angeles will be booked into the Riverside County Jail when he has been medically cleared by hospital staff. He will be booked for 12021 PC, Felon in possession of a firearm and 3056 PC, Violation of Parole. The driver of the vehicle, Stephania Session (22), of Beaumont, was arrested for 2800.1 CVC, evading a police officer and 148 PC, resisting and delaying a police officer. She was released on a citation.

Anyone with information related to this incident is asked to contact Detective Mike Medici at (951)353-7104 or Detective Ron Sanfilippo at (951)353-7105

